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SUBJ: ISRAELI PRESS ON GENEVA TALKS

1. PLANS FOR GENEVA TALKS AROUND JUNE 24 ARE REPORTED BY ISRAELI-BASED WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT WOLF BLITZER IN MAY 5 JERUSALEM POST--ALHAMISHMAR.

2. CITING " AUTHORITATIVE AMERICAN SOURCES", BLITZER SAID " AMERICAN OFFICIALS ARE NOW LYING THE GROUND WORK FOR A RECONVENED GENEVA MIDDLE EAST PEACE CONFERENCE AROUND JUNE 24..." THE PLO IS NOT EXPECTED TO BE INVITED TO CONFERENCE, " WHICH WILL PROBABLY NOT LAST LONGER THAN A FEW DAYS."

3. ISRAELI SOURCES IN WASHINGTON, ACCORDING TO BLITZER, SAID THAT SUCH A BRIEF AND SYMBOLIC SESSION WAS LIKELY TO TAKE PLACE SOON, TO BE FOLLOWED BY RENEWED AMERICAN INITIATIVE AIMED AT ACHIEVEING ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN INTERIM AGREEMENT. RABIN GOVERNMENT, BLITZER CLAIMED, HAS INFORMED US THAT ISRAEL WILL COME UP WITH NEW IDEAS FOR REACHING ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN AGREEMENT, ASSUMING IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND JERUSALEM AT THAT TIME.

4. BLITZER REPORTED THAT RECONVENED CONFERENCE WILL FOLLOW PRESIDENT FORD'S MEETINGS WITH SADAT
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JUNE 1-2 AND RABIN JUNE 14-15 AT WHICH US WILL SEEK TO COORDINATE ITS POSITIONS WITH EGYPT AND ISRAEL.
SECRETARY KISSINGER EXPECTED TO MEET SHORTLY WITH GROMYKO TO WORK OUT FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR GENEVA.

5. WASHINGTON CONRRESPONDENT DAN MARGALIT, REPORTING
IN HAARETZ MAY 4, CLAIMED PRESIDENT FORD WANTS TO
KEEP SOVIETS OUT OF DIPLOMATIC ACTION. US, HE SAID,
HAS TAKEN FRIGHT AT SERIOUS WAY IN WHICH MOSCOW IS
PREPARING FOR GENEVA, " TO EXTENT OF STARTING TO FLIRT
WITH ISRAEL." MARGALIT ALSO NOTED THAT " EXPERIENCED
OBSERVERS" BELIEVE THAT PRESIDENT FORD'S MEETING
WITH SADAT AND RABIN "MAY EVEN STILL PROVIDE A WAY FOR
POSTPONING GENVEA."
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